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UNITED STATES RESERVE CORPS, MISSOURI VOLUNTEERS (THREE MONTHS SERVICE) REGIMENTAL RETURNS

Abstract: Records of the United States Reserve Corps, Missouri Volunteers (Three Months Service) (bulk 1861-1865)

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HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Organized under orders issued to Captain Nathaniel Lyon by the War Department on April 30, 1861. Consisted of five regiments of infantry and one company of cavalry. The corps served until August/September, 1861. Many regiments were consolidated with Missouri Volunteer units.

Regimental returns are paperwork created by various companies, regiments and battalions and submitted to the Adjutant General. These records are the kind of bureaucratic paperwork on which the Army marched. Due to the chaotic nature of the Civil War in Missouri, the lack of reliable postal service, and poor record keeping in the field, these records are very incomplete.

The Scope and Content Note for individual regiments contains information on organization, disbanding, transfers and consolidations. Also noted are exceptional records of interest.

ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

Bibliography

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Related Material

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- 1st Regiment
- 2nd Regiment
- 3rd Regiment
- 4th Regiment
- 5th Regiment

1st Regiment

Extent: 9 folders

Arrangement: Alphabetical by company, then regimental

Scope and Content

Organized in St. Louis in April 1861.

Box	Folder	Company	Contents
1	1	A	Correspondence—Miscellaneous
1	2	В	Reports
1	3	Е	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	4	G	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	5	K	Correspondence—Personnel [missing? 6/2018]
1	6	L	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	7	Regimental	Reports of a Guard Mounted at Jaeger Garden
1	8	Regimental	Correspondence—Personnel
1	9	Regimental	Correspondence—Miscellaneous

2nd Regiment

Extent: 2 folders

Arrangement: Alphabetical by company, then regimental

Scope and Content

Organized in St. Louis in May 1861. Mustered out in August 1861.

Box	Folder	Company	Contents
1	10	I	Applications for Certificate of Service
1	11	Regimental	Correspondence – Post Civil War

3rd Regiment

Extent: 6 folders

Arrangement: Alphabetical by company, then regimental

Scope and Content

Organized at St. Louis in April 1861. Consolidated with the 4th Regiment, United States Reserve Corps as 4th Regiment Infantry, Missouri Volunteers, by Special Orders, No. 9, January 18, 1863.

Regimental Miscellaneous contains an undated history of the regiment.

Box	Folder	Company	Contents
1	12	A	Correspondence – Miscellaneous
1	13	Е	Correspondence – Post Civil War
1	14	G	Correspondence – Post Civil War
1	15	Regimental	Correspondence – Post Civil War
1	16	Regimental	Miscellaneous
OB2	2	Regimental	Allotment Roll

4th Regiment

Extent: 11 folders

Arrangement: Alphabetical by company, then regimental

Scope and Content

Organized in St. Louis in May 1861. Mustered out of service by Special Orders, No. 13, January 14, 1863. Consolidated with 3rd Regiment, United States Reserve Corps as 4th Regiment Infantry, Missouri Volunteers by Special Orders, No. 9, January 18, 1863.

Regimental Miscellaneous contains an undated history of the regiment.

Box	Folder	Company	Contents
1	17	A	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	18	В	Correspondence—Personnel
1	19	Е	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	20	I	Correspondence—Personnel [missing ? 6/2018]
1	21	I	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	22	L	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	23	Regimental	Special Orders
1	24	Regimental	Receipts
1	25	Regimental	Correspondence—Personnel
1	26	Regimental	Correspondence—Miscellaneous
1	27	Regimental	Miscellaneous

5th Regiment

Extent: 2 folders

Arrangement: Alphabetical by company, then regimental

Scope and Content

Organized in St. Louis in May 1861. Mustered out in August 1861.

Box	Folder	Company	Contents
1	28	С	Correspondence—Post Civil War
1	29	K	Correspondence—Post Civil War